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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR:	HANDLE FOR FORCEPS/TWEEZERS AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DESIGNING THE LIKE

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 26 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ Request for Priority to claim priority date of October 24, 2001.
- ☒ An Executed Declaration.
- ☒ A Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449
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